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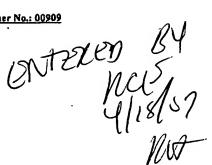
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2006, the date for response to which is March 18, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 033975 (Ref. No. 081468-0306164).